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To Whom it may concern,

I oppose the bill, HB 5597, because it sets in motion the risk warrant process if a restraining order indicates that the subject is in possession of a firearm. The risk warrant process, while effective and well intentioned, does not serve the needs of many domestic violence victims, because it immediately sends police to confront the abuser. Police can then seek an immediate warrant to remove firearms from that person. Many victims of abuse fear violent reprisals from the abuser in bringing police into this process and much prefer going to the safety and protection of the court for the restraining order.

Thanks for your attention to this matter,

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